

Alice Qiao Earns Berth at U.S. Junior Figure Skating Championships



A fter winning Group C of the Juvenile Girls qualifying round at the 2012 South Atlantic Regional Championships, **Alice Qiao** performed superbly in the final round, capturing the silver in a field of 24 qualifiers. The next stop for our own Lady GA



(that's Lady Georgia) is the U.S. Junior Figure Skating Championships in East Lansing, MI on December 10 - 14. Don't miss her exhibition during Club Ice on December 2. Congratulations to Alice, her proud parents, Leon and Ling, and coach Barbara Wagner!

This year 20 of our skaters competed and brought home nine medals. Kudos to **Grace Rathbun** (3rd place in Pre-Juvenile Girls free skate and jumps and 2nd place in spins), **Hannah Carleton** (3rd place in Preliminary Girls free skate), **Rahly Osenbaugh** (10th place in Pre-Preliminary Girls free skate final round and 2nd place in the qualifying round), **Mingda Liu** (1st place in Preliminary/Pre-Preliminary

compulsory moves), and **Gabrielle Kuse** (2nd place in Preliminary/Pre-Preliminary spins). We are so proud of all of our skaters!

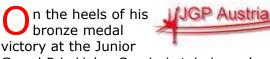
B oth Alexander Aiken (Senior Men) and Tim Dolensky (Junior Men) received byes to the Eastern Sectional Championships on November 15 - 19 in Jamestown, NY. GOOD LUCK to all three qualifiers!

## **New Club Merchandising Policy**

The Atlanta Figure Skating Club appreciates its members' pride and enthusiasm and understands that members and friends enjoy displaying the name and logos of the Club and our competitions. The Club name, Club logo, Club-sponsored events and our competitions names and logos, however, are the property of the Club and may not be used on any item or product without the Board's written permission. This also applies to the Club colors, when used in the AFSC-specific combination and associated with the Club. This is applicable whether or not the item is sold and, if it is sold, whether or not the seller makes a profit, and whether or not the event is sanctioned.

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## Dolensky Wins Pewter at JGP Austria



Grand Prix Volvo Cup in Latvia in early September, Junior **Tim Dolensky** captured the pewter medal at the Junior Grand Prix in Austria a month later. Congratulations, Tim!



JGP Austria Innsbruck, Austria September 28 - October 1

Tim Dolensky, Junior Men

Final	4th/22
Free Skate	5th/22
Short Program	8th/22



Alexander Aiken (Senior)

## 2012 South Atlantic Regional Championships Exhibitions October 7 & 14



NOTE: Alex and Tim are exempt from Regionals and will compete at Eastern Sectionals.



Tim Dolensky (Junior)



Juvenile: Jabe Roberts, Amanda Bao, Kamayla Ko, Alice Qiao, Madeleine Brown, Alice Tang, and Helena Fisher.



Intermediate: Grace Liu, Wendi Hiller, Maya Neel.



Preliminary: Mingda Liu. Pre-Preliminary: Rahly Osenbaugh, Gabrielle Kuse and Nile Ziegler



Pre-Juvenile: Grace Rathbun and Lily Xie



## To our send-off party crew:

Jan Brown Christi Fisher Sharon Hyre Leon Qiao Kathy Shehee Louise Szanto

## South Atlantic Championships Officials:

Sharon Hyre Terr Jeannette Doney John Susan Johnson Lau

Terri Maurice John Millier Laurie Vieth











## Send-Off Party, October 7





Grace Liu

## 2012 South Atlantic Regional Championships Qualifying Results IceWorks SC, Aston, PA October 15 - 18

## SENIOR LADIES

<u>Jamie Kim</u>		and INFORMATION TO A CARDINAL OF THE	Free Skate
Final	5th/10		Jabe Roberts
Free Skate	6th/10		
Short Program	4th/10		JUVENILE GIRLS
			Free Skate, Final Round
JUNIOR LADIES			Alice Qiao
<u>Martine Szanto</u>			<u>Free Skate, QR, Grp. A</u>
Free Skate QR, Grp. A	7th/15		Madeleine Brown
			Kamayla Ko
NOVICE LADIES			<u>Free Skate, QR, Grp. B</u>
Christina Cole			Alice Tang
Free Skate QR, Grp. C	7th/9		<u>Free Skate, QR, Grp. C</u>
			Alice Qiao
INTERMEDIATE LADIES	<u>S</u>		<u>Free Skate, QR, Grp. D</u>
<u>Free Skate QR, Grp. B</u>			Amanda Bao
Wendi Hiller	8th/17	Coach Barbara Wagner with	<u>Free Skate, QR, Grp. F</u>
<u>Free Skate QR, Grp. E</u>		Juvenile Girls silver medalist	Helena Fisher
Maya Neel	12th/18	Alice Qiao	

14th/18

## 8th/17 QR, Grp. B 12th/17 QR, Grp. C 1st/16 QR, Grp. D 5th/14 D QR, Grp. F 10th/16 er

**JUVENILE BOYS** 

## 2012 South Atlantic Regional Championships Non-Qualifying Results IceWorks SC, Aston, PA October 20 - 25



7th/12

2nd/24

7th/17

<u>PRE-JUVENILE GIRL</u> Free Skate, Grp. C	<u>s</u>	PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS
Grace Rathbun	3rd/8	Free Skate, Grp. C Hannah Carleton 4th/10
<u>Free Skate, Grp. B</u> Lily Xie	5th/7	Free Skate, Grp. G
Jumps		Gabrielle Kuse 7th/9 Jumps, Grp. A
Grace Rathbun	3rd/4	Gabrielle Kuse 5th/9
<u>Spins</u> Grace Rathbun	2nd/9	Compulsory Moves, Grp. A
		Rahly Osenbaugh 5th/11 Compulsory Moves, Grp. B
PRELIMINARY GIRLS Free Skate, Grp. A	<u>6</u>	Gabrielle Kuse 6th/10
Mingda Liu	10th/10	PRELIMINARY/PRE-
Jumps		PRELIMINARY
Hannah Carleton	3rd/7	Compulsory Moves, Grp. A
Nile Ziegler	5th/7	Mingda Liu 1st/8
PRE-PRELIMINARY (	SIRLS	<u>Spins, Grp. A</u> Nile Ziegler 4th/7
Free Skate, Final Rou	und	Spins, Grp. C
Rahly Osenbaugh	10th/14	Gabrielle Kuse 2nd/7
<u>Free Skate, Grp. B</u>		
Rahly Osenbaugh	2nd/10	
Nile Ziegler	8th/10	



#### What made you decide to start skating?

I was on a public session and I enjoyed it so my dad signed me up for Learn to Skate classes at The Cooler.

#### What do you love most about skating?

I love to jump, and I love the challenge.

#### What is your weekly training regimen?

I usually skate six days a week, before and after school and two to four sessions a day. I take ballet once a week.

## What are your favorite and least favorite elements?

My favorite elements are the double flip, double Lutz and Biellmann spin. My least favorite is the double Axel because sometimes I can't take off right.

#### Favorite music/program.

My favorite music is my current free skate program "Seven Years in Tibet." I like to skate to it, and I just love the music! It has a nice rhythm that helps me when I skate my program.

## What is the most memorable event of your skating career?

I placed first in the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Middle Atlantic Championship competition this year in the Juvenile Free Skate Final Round. It was so exciting and thrilling! There were about 80 skaters in the Juvenile level. Even though I got first in the initial round, I did not do well and got a low score. However, I was able to show my best in the final!

#### Whom do you admire most?

My parents and my coach, Ms. Barbara, because they have always encouraged me.

#### Who is your favorite skater?

*I like Yu-Na Kim because she is so graceful and her jumps and spins looks effortless.* 

#### Tell us about your school and extracurricular activities.

I am a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Fulton Science Academy. My favorite subjects are math and language arts. I am also in Duke University's TIP Program. I dance and play piano and flute.

#### Tell us about your family.

I have one younger brother, Alan, who is six years old.

#### Best advice you have ever received?

Success is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration.

## What are your future skating and educational goals?

I hope to land my triples clean soon. I will attend college and hope to go in the medical field. I will continue to skate for as long as I can.

#### My three favorite things are

Chocolate, books, and skating.

I would like to meet ...

J.K. Rowling because she is such a good author.

## If I weren't a skater, I would have been

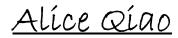
Probably a ballerina or gymnast.

## Tell us something about yourself or your family that no one knows.

I have a collection of quarters.

## Anything else you want your fans to know about you?

I have been taking skating lessons from Ms. Barbara Wagner since the very beginning when I was four and a half.



## Favorite word: Chocolate

Least favorite word: Specific

**Favorite quote**: "Life's not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the number of moments that take our breath away" -Anonymous

What turns me off: Someone annoying me

Favorite book: The Harry Potter Series

Favorite movie: "Dolphin Tale"

Favorite song: Lmfao party rock anthem

**Sound I love:** Waves splashing on rocks by the beach shore

**Sound I dislike:** *My alarm clock and* someone scratching their fingers down a blackboard

I would never want to be: An elementary school teacher, trash collector, or mail person

Three words that best describe me: Friendly, active, talkative

#### If I were stranded on a desert island, I would have to have: Well, since I can't have a person with me I would need something to communicate to a person with because I am so talkative, lots of books, and food!





## **INTERMEDIATE LADIES**

Free Skate	
Wendi Hiller	2nd/6
Short Program	
Wendi Hiller	2nd/7
Helena Fisher	4th/7
Emily Haar	5th/7

## **INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE**

Showcase [Value]	
Aspen Ono	1st/3
Helena Fisher	2nd/3
Emily Haar	3rd/3
<u>Spins</u>	
Helena Fisher	1st/2
Emily Haar	2nd/2

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Free Skate

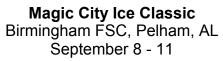
Jabe Roberts



Katelyn

<u>Jumps</u>

Alexa Davila



JUVENILE GIRLS Free Skate		PRELIMINARY/PRE-BRONZE Solo Dance
Amanda Bao	1st/8	Madeline Green 2
Helena Fisher	2nd/8	
Madeleine Brown	4th/8	PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS
		<u>B Free Skate, Grp. A</u>
PRE-JUVENILE GIRL	.S	Alexa Davila
Free Skate		<u>Spins</u>
Maria Son	1st/4	Alexa Davila
<u>Jumps</u>		<u>Showcase</u>
Maria Son	3rd/3	Madeline Green
PRELIMINARY GIRLS	5	NO TEST GIRLS
<u>B Free Skate, Grp. B</u>		Free Skate
Katelyn Champion	2nd/3	Madeline Green
Compulsory Moves,	<u>Grp. A</u>	
Alexa Davila	2nd/2	FREE SKATE 2

2nd/3

<u>Solo Dance</u>	
Madeline Green	2nd/2
PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS	
B Free Skate, Grp. A	
Alexa Davila	1st/4
<u>Spins</u>	
Alexa Davila	1st/5
<u>Showcase</u>	
Madeline Green	3rd/3
NO TEST GIRLS	
Free Skate	
Madeline Green	1st/8
FREE SKATE 2	

FREE SNALE Z	
Free Skate	
Stephanie Amodeo	1st/3
Compulsory Moves	
Stephanie Amodeo	1st/3



Katelyn and Madeleine (center)



John Smith Memorial Carolinas FSC Indian Trail, NC September 16 - 18

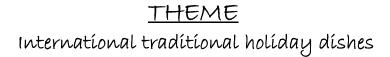
1st/3
3rd/3
3rd/5 1st/5



Martine and Christy







Bring your family's favorite holiday food to share (and the recipe if you're willing to divulge the secret)

## SCHEDULE

5:45 - 6:45 PM Upstairs (no skates allowed): Appetizers and Beverages for non-skating guests while skaters enjoy fun and games on the ice

> 5:45 PM On-Ice Games! 6:45 - 7:45 PM Party Rooms: Entrees, Veggíes, Salads, and Desserts for everyone

## Date: November 11



Prízes!



Please RSVP to the E-vite!



## **VOLUNTEER Movers & Shakers**

## Leon Qiao Our Literal Mover and Club Ice Shaker

## When did you join the Atlanta FSC, and how did you first become involved as a volunteer?

I joined the Atlanta FSC in 2007 when Alice started to compete at the Pre-Preliminary level. Before that, Ms. Barbara Wagner had been introducing the club activities to us and encouraging us to contribute to the club. After we became the members of the club, Peggy McCarthy warmly reached out to me and asked me to help with setup and breakdown at the Magnolia Open.

## Describe your past and current positions as well as any other contributions to the club.

I started with helping the club with setup and breakdown during club competitions. Then Peggy McCarthy did a wonderful job in persuading and "promoting" me to the leadership position of setup and breakdown for a couple of competitions. After that, I was "promoted" as the chair for competition practice ice monitors at last year's Magnolia Open and Atlanta Open.

*In 2009, I was elected to serve on the Board of Directors. I was the club secretary for the first year. Since 2010, I have been serving as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President in charge of off-ice and club ice activities. I also work on the Special* 

Event committee, helping with club activities, including the ice show, send-off parties and exhibitions, etc.

## Please describe your accomplishments as a skater or your participation in other sports.

I started roller skating for fun when I was in college, and I loved the feeling of fast skating circle after circle, where your mind can go wild or blank – thinking about anything you want or nothing! I may want to take ice skating lessons in the future, but definitely limit it to learning how to skate fast and smooth, not how to spin or jump – and I know no matter how many skating lessons I will take, I will never be able to catch up to my kids on ice anymore.

## Why do you stay involved as a volunteer with the Atlanta FSC?

When I first started, it was absolutely for Alice. I want her to skate in a great skating club, where younger skaters can make friends, have fun, help each other, and have great memories as part of their life. After joining the club and working in different areas as a volunteer, I learned that it does require huge amounts of volunteers' time and effort to keep our club running and growing in a health way, so my continuous contribution is definitely needed. Last and also the most important, our family has made many Atlanta FSC friends – their kindness, humor, enthusiasm, and support have been keeping us here!

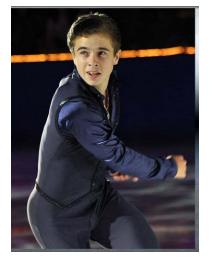
## Tell us a little about your background, profession, hobbies, and family.

I grew up in China and had been living there till 1997 when I moved to Atlanta. I earned my Masters degree in Chemical Engineering from China, and I also obtained a Masters degree in computer information systems (CIS) from Georgia State University – now you understand why I am so smart, ha-ha! After graduating from GSU, I have been working in the IT industry in the Atlanta area as a software developer, software quality assurance analyst, and IT manager.

My wife Ling and I have been married since 1996. Our 6-year old son, Alan, loves to play soccer and hockey. And all of our other relatives are in China, whom we are not able to visit often.







S enior Men competitor **ALEXANDER AIKEN** performed on October 15 and 16 with an incredible cast of champion skaters at Harvard University's "Evening with Champions" charity show that benefited the Jimmy Fund of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The event was hosted by Olympic silver medalist Paul Wylie (Alex's coach) and Olympian and Harvard student Emily Hughes.

The impressive cast included Olympians Oksana Baiul, Rachael Flatt, Emily Hughes, Yuna Kim, Ludmila and Oleg Protopopov, and Shawn Sawyer as well as U.S./World medalists Stephen Carriere, Harrison Choate, Ross Miner, Maia and Alex Shibutani, and The Haydenettes synchronized skating team.

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he entire cast is pictured below.





## Congratulations to Stephanie Brimeyer, our only qualifier at the National Solo Dance Championships!



## National Solo Dance Championships

Colorado Springs, CO September 23 - 25 Preliminary, QR Grp. A

Stephanie Brimeyer 6th/6

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Angela Vazquez	3	Olivia Garrett	20
Tracey Johnson	8	Dan Phillips	21
Grace Liu	11	Olivia Patrick	
Susan Choe		Tracy Nolan	
Debra Mecher	14	Bob Rathburn	25
Lim Keok		Jabe Roberts	27
Ashley Catanzarite	15	Gloria Lewis	28
Lydia Choe	16	Selma Belkasim	
Kira Mecher	17	Marie Murdaugh	29
Christine Yen	19	Nancy Ellis Riggs	30
Alex McDaniel	20	Taylor Johnson	



НАРРУ ВІКТНДАУ

<b>Bec</b>	

Tami Mickle	1	Natalie Haar	18
Olivia Kaloyannides	2	Wendy Buckus	
Alyssa Levitt	5	Michele Aiken	19
Matthew Green		Debbie Prachar	22
Morgan Sliker	6	Katie Sanyal	26
Stephanie Cole		Marybeth Rathburn	
David Mickle	12	Melody DeMerchant	
Regan Williams		Sammy Sanyal	
Betty McCord	14	Erika Ono	29
Chao Tang		Hannah Carleton	
Christina Garrett	15	Vladimir Raschetnov	
Chip Hiller	17		





# SeptemberSelma BelkasimPreliminary MovesJeslyn ChoiPre-Preliminary MovesTiffany HatzikoutelisPreliminary Moves



Ashley Catanzarite Caroline Catanzarite Sheila Catanzarite Bruce Catanzarite Triniti Fong Allen Fong Olivia Kaloyannides



Southwest Florida Fall Classic Southwest Florida FSC, Ellenton, FL September 23 - 25

SENIOR MEN Alexander Aiken Free Skate 1st/1 Short Program 1st/5 INTERMEDIATE LADIES Maya Neel Free Skate, Grp. B 10th/12 Short Program, Grp. A 12th/13

LEVEL D SHOWCASE Aspen Ono 1st/3



Middle Atlantic FS Championships SC of New York, New York, NY September 15 - 18

JUVENILE GIRLS <u>Free Skate Final Round</u> Alice Qiao 1st/18 <u>Free Skate, Grp. A</u> Alice Qiao 1st/11

PRE-JUVENILE GIRLS Free Skate, Grp. A Lily Xie 7th/8

**Merchandising Policy** (cont'd from page 1)

The Board requests your understanding and cooperation in protecting our Club name and logos. If we do not protect them, then any person, corporation or organization can appropriate them and use them in ways that will not benefit our Club, which would harm all Club members.

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# **Upcoming Events**

EVENT	DATES	SPONSOR/LOCATION	
Eastern Sectionals Exhibition	November 4	Atlanta FSC	
Pre-Holiday Pot Luck Dinner	November 11	Atlanta FSC	
Eastern Sectional Championships	November 15 - 19	Jamestown SC, Jamestown, NY	
TEST SESSION	November 18	Atlanta FSC	October 28
U.S. Junior FS Championships	December 10 - 14	East Lansing, MI	
TEST SESSION	December 16	Atlanta FSC	November 25
U.S. FS Championships	January 22 - 29	San Jose, CA	

